TENNESSEE GENERAL ASSEMBLY FISCAL REVIEW COMMITTEE



FISCAL NOTE

SB 3192 - HB 3476

March 7, 2012

SUMMARY OF BILL: Prohibits health care providers and facilities from charging an uninsured patient, who pays the full charge in cash, more than the lowest fee received from a health insurer for such health care services.

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:

NOT SIGNIFICANT

Assumptions:

- Any rulemaking can be accomplished during regularly scheduled meetings of the Board for Licensing Health Care Facilities or any other board affected by this legislation and can be accommodated within existing budgetary resources.
- Ensuring compliance with the provisions of this bill will not result in a significant fiscal impact and will be accomplished utilizing existing resources of the affected boards.
- Pursuant to Tenn. Code Ann. § 4-3-1011 and Tenn. Code Ann. § 68-11-216, all health-related boards are required to be self-supporting over a two-year period. As of June 30, 2011, the Division of Health Related Boards had a cumulative balance of \$10,859,982.82, and the Board for Licensing Health Care Facilities had a balance of \$594,768.55.

CERTIFICATION:

The information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

Lucian D. Geise, Executive Director

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